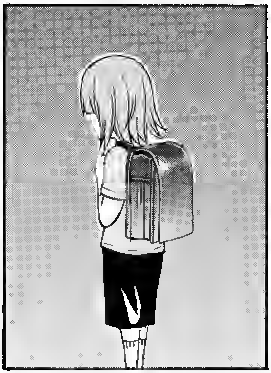

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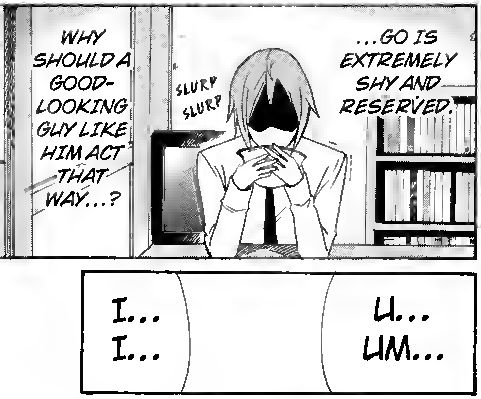
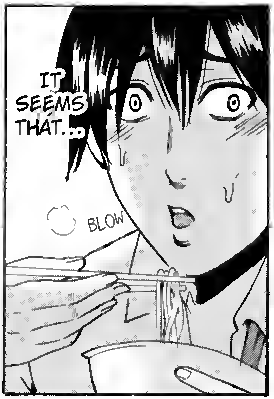
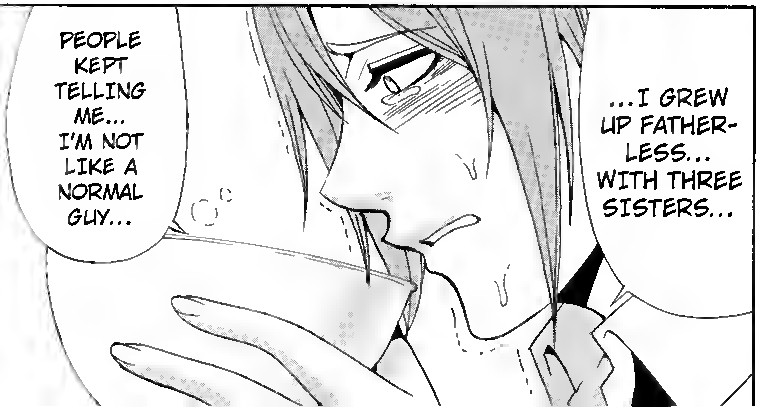
STOP CRYING. ARE YOU GONNA EAT YOUR RAMEN OR NOT?
SLURP SLURP
A...ARE YOU OKAY?

I'M GONNA GO TO A STORE. DO YOU NEED ANYTHING?
NO I DON'T, MOM!! LEAVE US ALONE!!


...GO IS EXTREMELY SHY AND RESERVED.
SLURP SLURP
WHY SHOULD A GOOD-LOOKING GUY LIKE HIM ACT THAT WAY...?


IT SEEMS THAT...
BLOW

I... I...
U... UM...


PEOPLE KEPT TELLING ME... I'M NOT LIKE A NORMAL GUY...
...I GREW UP FATHER-LESS... WITH THREE SISTERS...

SO WHAT? YOU CAN STILL ATTRACT GIRLS WITH THAT LOOKS ANYWAY.
SLURP SLURP
I'D BE GLAD TO HAVE SISTERS ...
...I GOT TALLER AND... STARTED TO LOOK MATURE, I GUESS...
H... HI...
U...UM... I GOT ALONG WELL WITH GIRLS WHEN I WAS IN GRADE SCHOOL ...
YOU'RE CUTE. GO
BUT WHILE I WAS IN JUNIOR HIGH...
THIS IS FOR YOU...
THUMP

THUMP
W... WHY ME??
WHAT'S HAPPENING ?!
I'M DEFINITELY NOT THE KIND OF GUY GIRLS LIKE...
THUMP
PANIC
WHAT ...?
UM...
I'M NOT...
I SEE...
SINCE THEN... I'M SCARED OF GIRLS...
YOU JERK
YOU'RE AWFUL
S SORRY BUT

THE PROBLEM IS YOU HAVE NO SELF-CONFIDENCE!!
YOU WORRY TOO MUCH ABOUT WHAT THE GIRLS THINK AND DON'T BELIEVE THAT YOU CAN BE LIKED.
AM I RIGHT?
Y... YES...
HA HA HA
WHO THE HECK DOES HE THINK HE IS...

BAM
FINE !!
I'M LETTING YOU JOIN MY TEAM!!
WHAT ...?
YOUR... TEAM...?
YOU SHOW OFF YOUR LOOKS!!
I'LL DO THE TALKING!!
AND YOUR ROLE IS... TO BE NICE!!
SHUT UP!! IS THAT IT?!

THREE OF US GONNA...
Y... YEAH...
...MAKE GIRL-FRIENDS THIS SUMMER !!

HOSHIKAWA STATION
ho
STOP
HOSHIKAWA STATION
THE COMMITTEE MEETING TOOK SO LONG...
IT'S 6 O'CLOCK ALREADY ...
RUMBLE RUMBLE
ZZZ
HEY...

I'M SORRY IF I'M WRONG BUT... ARE YOU KAZUKI?
THUMP
W... WHO'S SHE?!
TO BE CONTINUED!!